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NEBRASKA SPIRIT ART CONTEST

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The Nebraska Spirit Art Contest is open to all Nebraska students in grades kindergarten through fifth. From March 2, 2009 to May 1, 2009, students wishing to share their Nebraska spirit may submit their original artwork. The submission deadline is May 1, 2009

The submissions will be narrowed down to five finalists for each grade. From May 11 to May 20, 2009, people will be able to vote for their favorite artwork submissions. The six winners from the voting will be announced on May 21, 2009.

Entrants in the Nebraska Spirit Art Contest should review the contest rules with their parents or guardians. Participants are also encouraged to visit the official website for Nebraska, www.Nebraska.gov, to see what the site has to offer to the citizens of Nebraska, as well as the entire internet community.

The winners and their families will be invited to a day of activities in Lincoln, including a ceremony at the State Capitol with Governor Heineman and Secretary of State Gale, a luncheon at the Governor's Mansion, followed by a visit to the Lincoln Children's Zoo.

For more information, go to www.nebraska.gov and click on the featured Nebraska Spirit Art Contest scrolling image.

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GM Corner

For the second year, Nebraska.gov is hosting an eGovernment Partner Event, on the morning of April 20.

As the economy continues to challenge the budget, we are offering the chance to hear new ideas in efficiencies and the latest technologies available to the State.

Cathilea Robinett, Executive Director of the Center for Digital Government and Center for Digital Education, and Chris Neff, VP of Marketing for NIC, will be speaking at this event. We are also having a panel discussion, with key state technology leaders, where those attending will be given the opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, as well as other experts in their fields.

More information about this event can be found in this newsletter, as well as www.nebraska.gov/event

I invite everyone to attend.

Brent Hoffman

Driving Adoption –

Court E-filing

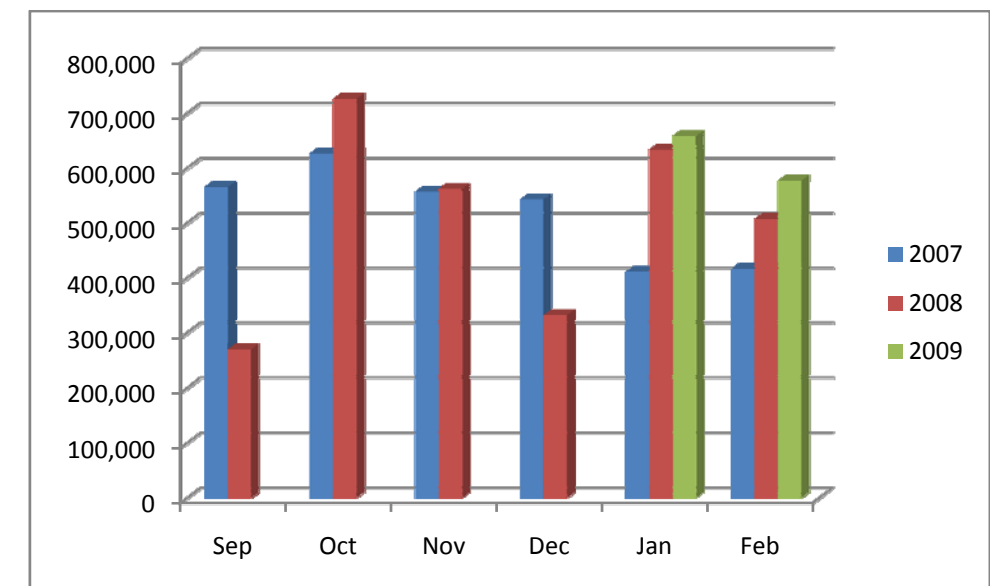
In March, the filing service reached the milestone of 10,000 filings since being launched less than one year ago.

In addition to civil filings, we are now accepting criminal filings for Sarpy District Court, Colfax and Sarpy County courts.

There are six new courts being added in March. They are:

- Adams District
- Cheyenne County
- Jefferson District
- Keith District
- Phelps County

Nebraska.gov Portal Visit History



Nebraska.gov
Analytics for
February 2009

151,706 Visits

71,483 Visitors

37.46% New
Visitors

286,672 Pages
Viewed

Service Uptime

Number of Checks:
13, 056


Number of Outages:
10

Uptime: 99.87%

Average Response
Time: 0.458 seconds

2009 Partner Event

NEBRASKA.GOV
Partner Event 2009
Efficient, Effective, eGov Solutions Online
Sponsored by Nebraska.gov on behalf of the Nebraska State Records Board



You are invited!

How can I learn about Nebraska's eGovernment future?

How can technology help during this budget crisis?

Partner with Nebraska.gov and other Nebraska agencies to help you find the answers to these questions at the 2009 Partner Event the morning of April 20, 2009 at the Cornhusker Hotel.

Cathilea Robinett will present and discuss the newest in cutting edge technology for eGovernment. She is the Executive Director of the Center for Digital Government, which hands out the Best of the Web and Digital Government Achievement Awards. The State of Nebraska was recognized in 2008 as a finalist for the state website. The Nebraska DMV was a winner for the Driver's License Reinstatement program.

Chris Neff with NIC, the leader in eGovernment, will be discussing the new and future services available for your agency.

To close the event, we will have a panel discussion. Possible topics include:

- Social Technology/Web 2.0
- Mobile Applications
- Green Solutions
- Transparency

You will have the opportunity to submit a question for the panel when you complete your online registration.

Reserve your seat today by registering online at <http://www.nebraska.gov/event>

NIC in the News

The nation's largest eGovernment services provider, NIC (NASDAQ: EGOV), saw its state partners take top honors in the acclaimed Best of the Web and Digital Government Achievement Awards as selected by The Center for Digital Government, an international research and advisory institute on the use of information technology in government.

In the Best of the Web, four NIC partners placed in the top five, another three NIC partners took finalist honors, and one partner was recognized with a special award. In the Digital Achievement Awards, five NIC partners won national recognition.

"The Center for Digital Government recognizes those state and local governments that bring innovative new Web-based services to the public," said Cathilea Robinett, Executive Vice President of the Center for Digital Government. "The 21 state partners of NIC are part of a community that shares best practices, which is one reason they are able to deliver leading and award-winning eGovernment services."

Now in its 12th year, Best of the Web evaluates government Web sites based on their innovation, Web-based delivery of public services, efficiency, economy, and functionality. Representatives from the Center for Digital Government and officials from the 2007 Best of the Web-winning state and local governments served as judges for the 2008 competition.

First place: Virginia (<http://www.Virginia.gov>)

Second place: Maine (<http://www.Maine.gov>)

Fifth place: Alabama (<http://www.Alabama.gov>) and Rhode Island (<http://www.RI.gov>)

NIC's partners also won three of the five finalist honors, including Arkansas (<http://www.Arkansas.gov>), Colorado (<http://www.Colorado.gov>), and Nebraska (<http://www.Nebraska.gov>).

"To be recognized by the Center for Digital Government means you are acknowledged as the best by the leading authority in government information technology. These national awards underscore what we see from our partners every day – a continued commitment to find new ways to better serve the businesses and citizens of their states," said Harry Herington, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of NIC. "Even in these tough economic times, what businesses and citizens demand from government is not wavering and one way NIC's partners tackle this challenge is by offering new and innovative government services that are now recognized as some of the best in the country."

A Rave Review

"This was so much easier and faster than going to the DMV and I don't even have to waste a stamp or gas and can do it in the privacy of my own home. All in all, a great experience."

Feedback provided from a survey completed after using the online specialty plates program.

This program is approaching its one year anniversary and continues to gain users.



Secretary of State Corporation Filings

We are mid-way through the open filing period for corporation filings.

Nearly 3,000 LLC and LLP reports have been filed online!

Upcoming launch:

Development is currently underway for the newest application for the Department of Motor Vehicles.

The IRP (International Registration Plan) will soon be ready for testing prior to launch.